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## Alumni Return to Campus for Homecoming Nov. 8



CONSTRUCTION HAS BEEN completed at Northwestern State College on this new campus post office building. The round, one-story brick structure, built at a cost of about \$36,000, is located between the Student Union and the new Arts and Sciences building. It is completely air-conditioned and has some 4,000 mail boxes.

### A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Alumnus:

Homecoming this year is scheduled for November 8. A full day of activities is planned for you. To make our Homecoming a success, we need your attendance and participation.

Northwestern is continuing to grow in every respect. Construction on the campus is in full swing, and a great deal more is in the planning stage. If you have missed Homecoming for two or three years, you will not recognize the campus now.

Again, we are asking that you help us to make this our best Homecoming ever. We look forward to seeing you and renewing old friendships. We need your continued help and support.

Sincerely,  
Arnold R. Kilpatrick  
President

### Homecoming Schedule

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.  | Alumni Coffee and Registration, Student Union                          |
| 9:30 A.M.-11:00 A.M.  | Campus Visitation  |
| 9:30 A.M.-10:30 A.M.  | Board of Directors Meeting, Room 241 Student Union                     |
| 10:00 A.M.            | Vicennial Celebration of School of Nursing, Arts & Sciences Auditorium |
| 10:30 A.M.            | "N" Club Meeting, Coliseum   |
| 11:30 A.M.- 1:30 P.M. | Alumni Luncheon, Iberville Dining Hall                                 |
| 2:10 P.M.- 2:25 P.M.  | Pre-Game Ceremonies, Demon Stadium                                     |
| 2:30 P.M.             | Football Game, Demons vs. McNeese State                                |
| After Game            | "N" Club Graduates Get-Together  |
| Open House            | Fraternity & Sorority Houses (All Day)                                 |
| 8:30-12:00            | Alumni Dance, Student Union Ballroom                                   |

### Full Slate of Activities Set

Harrel Haile, director of alumni and placement at Northwestern, has announced preliminary plans for the college's annual Homecoming celebration Nov. 8.

Classes to be honored at this year's Homecoming are the graduates of 1909, 1919, 1929, 1939, 1949, 1959 and 1969.

Among the groups receiving special recognition during the day will be graduates of the NSC School of Nursing. The nursing school will be celebrating its 20th anniversary. A meeting of nursing students, past and present, will be held at 10 a.m. in the Arts and Sciences Auditorium.

No parade is scheduled this year, but an extensive campus decoration project is planned. Cash prizes will be offered for the best dormitory displays and decorations.

The day begins with the Alumni Coffee and Registration from 9 until 11 a.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Tours of the campus will be conducted from 9:30 until 11 a.m., and a meeting of the board of directors of the alumni association is set for 9:30 in the Student Union.

Members of the Graduate N Club will meet at 10:30 a.m. in Prather Coliseum, and the Alumni Luncheon is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. in Iberville Dining Hall. Alumni are urged this year to bring their children in order to make Homecoming at Northwestern a "family affair."

The highlight of the day will be the football game between Northwestern and McNeese State at 2:30 p.m. Pre-game ceremonies for the Homecoming game will start at 2:10. During the festivities, the Homecoming queen and court will be presented.

During the morning meeting of the Graduate N Club, new officers will be elected. New (Continued on Page 3)

## Plan to Attend Alumni Luncheon at Homecoming

## Day-Long Food Service Offered

Dining facilities at Northwestern are being operated on a continuous feeding basis this fall, according to an announcement by Ted W. Wright, business manager.

Northwestern became the only college in Louisiana which offers students the day-long dining schedule.

Dale Stone of Saga Food Services, which operates the Northwestern dining facilities, said the cafeterias open at 7 a.m. and remain open until 6 p.m. daily, allowing students to have three meals a day at any time they choose.

Stone said a complete breakfast is served from 7 a.m. until 8 a.m. and a Continental breakfast is offered from 8 a.m. until 9:45. Lunch is served from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., and dinner is offered from 2:15 until 6 p.m.

The new continuous feeding schedule is in effect in both Iberville Dining Hall and St. Denis Dining Hall.

Saga, which serves more than 250 colleges and universities in 42 states, is starting the continuous feeding schedule at only three colleges on an experimental basis.

Stone said the new schedule does not effect the wide variety in the menu. Three or more entrees are offered at noon, and two or more are served at dinner.

## LOOK WHO'S HERE

Arnold D. Oberle (MS '66) and Ann (Wilson) Oberle BS '61 announces the birth of a son, Mark Dudley born February 2, 1969. He joins a sister Karen 2 1/2. The Oberle's are residing in Bossier City, La.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Ronald Diagile announces the birth of their second child, second son, Gregory Paul, born August 19th at Lafayette. He weighed 8 lbs., 8 oz. Ronnie (BS '65) teaches Physical Education at Sunset High School.

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Travis Wayne High (BS '67) and Sue Ellen Gaskin High (BA '65) announces the birth of a daughter, Lorie Catharine born July 27, 1969, weighing 9 lbs. 13 1/2 ozs.

## ALUMNI HERE-'N-THERE

Jim Gremillion BS '57, at present is working as a Sales Representative for Corning Glass works, selling Pyrex lab glass. He lives just outside Houston in Missouri City, Texas, and has three dependents; his wife Joan, two sons, Bill 19 yrs. and Jim, Jr. 7 yrs.



**CHEERLEADERS AT Northwestern State College this year are (standing, from left) Curry Miller, Pitkin; Gary Digiormo, Shreveport; (second row) Leah Clingman, Houma; Linda Martin, Natchitoches; Patricia Page, Harvey; (center) Michael Fontenot, Ville Platte; (top) Rudy Brunette, Shreveport; Bonnie Beaman, Maringouin; Ronald Stewart, Winnfield; Diana Phillips, Baton Rouge; and Michael Kacho, Metairie.**

## Demon Marching Band to Premier New Song at State Fair Classic

Northwestern's Demon Marching Band will become the first college or university band in the nation to play the song "Football," written by Bernie Wayne, nationally-known composer, theatrical producer and director.

Wayne, who wrote both the music and lyrics to the song just two weeks ago, will direct the Northwestern band when the tune is premiered during half-time at the Northwestern-Louisiana Tech football game at State Fair Stadium in Shreveport Oct. 18.

J. Robert Smith, Northwestern director of bands, said rehearsals on the song have already begun. Wayne will fly into Natchitoches Oct. 17 to work with the 160-member Demon Marching Band before the State Fair performance.

Wayne has written a long list of hit tunes, including "Blue Velvet," "Laughing on the Outside, Crying on the Inside," and instrumentals "Venessa" and "Port Au Prince."

Probably his most famous composition is "There She Is, Miss America." Wayne wrote the song in 1955, the first year the Miss America Pageant was televised, and the tune has become a major part of Miss America pageants.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of college football in the United States, and Wayne said the centennial celebration



Bernie Wayne

inspired him to write the song "Football." He added, however, that the song "is for all football, from sandlot to professional."

Arrangements have been made for Mayor Clyde Fant of Shreveport to declare Oct. 18 "Bernie Wayne Day" in the city. Wayne will participate in activities leading up to the State Fair classic in both Natchitoches and Shreveport.

Wayne said several colleges and universities, including Notre Dame, Purdue and Iowa State, will be playing the song later in the season, but Northwestern will be allowed to preview the song at the State Fair. Several professional bands and high school bands across the nation will also present the tune later in the year.

## Parking Lot is Hard-Surfaced

Work has been completed at Northwestern on the hard-surfacing of a large parking area near the college's new dormitory and dining complex.

Ted W. Wright, Northwestern business manager, said the huge parking lot in front of Rapides Hall was blacktopped during the summer and completed in time for the beginning of the fall semester.

Located on the western edge of the Northwestern campus, the lot serves residents of Rapides Hall, a men's dormitory, and a number of commuters. Persons attending special events in Iberville Dining Hall also utilize the parking area.

Since 1966, when the men's dormitory, dining hall and Sabine Hall, a women's dormitory, were completed, the area has served as a dirt parking lot. Students have more than once waded through a quagmire of mud to reach their destinations.

The new blacktop lot covers an area of some 300 feet by 450 feet. Campus security chief James Lee said more than 300 vehicles will utilize the parking facilities.

Lee said the new lot gives Northwestern 23 improved parking areas, with space for some 3,200 vehicles. The campus security office expects a registration of more than 2,700 automobiles during the fall semester.

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MELBA BROWN (BA '69) has "won her wings" and is now a stewardess with Delta Air Lines. From her base station of Houston, she will fly to many of the 60 cities served by Delta in 22 states, the District of Columbia, and the Caribbean.

## Baton Rouge Chapter Sets Meeting Oct. 28

The Baton Rouge area chapter of the Northwestern Alumni Association will meet Oct. 28.

Additional information on the time and location of the meeting may be obtained by contacting Malcolm McSween, president of the chapter.

### ALUMNI RETURN—

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Alumni Association officers will be elected during the luncheon.

Following the game will be the annual Graduate N Club get-together. Food will be served as usual, but the site of the meeting has not been decided upon. Alumni will be allowed to visit fraternities and sororities throughout the day since all of the social organizations are conducting Open House. An Alumni Dance will climax the day's activities in the Student Union Ballroom from 8:30 until Midnight.



DR. JAMES S. CRAWFORD (BS '63) Ph. D. LSU '68, has been named a poultry nutritionist in the Pfizer Agricultural Division's Developmental Research and Technical Services Department at Terre Haute, Ind. Dr. and Mrs. Crawford have one son, Timothy James, and reside in Indiana.

## Viet Nam Vets Get ROTC Jobs

Two Northwestern graduates who distinguished themselves in Vietnam combat have returned to the college as Reserve Officers Training Corps instructors.

Lt. Col. Charles Avery, professor of military science at Northwestern, said Maj. Billy Cone and Capt. Hugh Durham joined the ROTC staff at the beginning of the fall semester this week.

Both Maj. Cone and Capt. Durham are Infantry officers and graduates of the Infantry Career Course at Fort Benning, Ga.

A 1961 graduate of Northwestern, Maj. Cone holds a degree in industrial arts. His overseas assignments includes a tour of duty in France and Germany in addition to Vietnam.

While in Vietnam, he served as an advisor to units of the Seventh Division ARVN and received the Army Commendation Medal, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star Device, the Purple Heart and Combat Infantry Badge.

Maj. Cone, a graduate of Fair Park High School in Shreveport, is a graduate of the Army Jungle Warfare School in the Panama Canal Zone, the Vietnamese Language School and the Army Special Warfare School.

Capt. Durham, a graduate of Natchitoches High School, received his degree from Northwestern in sociology in 1963. He, like Maj. Cone, was an active member of the Black Knights drill team at Northwestern.

A veteran of two tours in Vietnam, he has two years combat flying experience as well as an Air Medal with 38 Oak Leaf Clusters.

Capt. Durham has been stationed at Fort Benning; Fort Lewis, Wash.; Fort Rucker, Ala., and Fort Ord, Calif., in addition to his two tours in Asia.

Maj. Cone will instruct ROTC seniors, and Capt. Durham will serve as freshman instructor.



## Prince Is Named To Tulane Post

Paul Prince of Shreveport, a graduate of Northwestern, has been appointed as physical education instructor and gymnastics coach at Tulane University in New Orleans.

Named to the Tulane staff effective Sept. 15, Prince will work toward the development of a varsity gymnastics team at the university.

Prince served for three years as women's gymnastics coach at Northwestern while working toward his master's degree. He received his master's degree in physical education last August.

While an undergraduate at Northwestern, Prince was captain of the college's nationally-known gymnastics team and was a consistent winner as an all-around performer.

He was granted his bachelor's degree in business administration in 1964. Prince was a captain in the U.S. Marine Corps before returning to Northwestern in 1966 to work toward his master's degree.

A 1960 graduate of Byrd High School in Shreveport, he holds membership in numerous professional organizations, including the Louisiana Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

## Frances Pingrey Acting Director

Two members of the School of Nursing faculty at Northwestern have been appointed to administrative positions at the Shreveport Clinical Campus of the NSC Nursing School.

Miss Frances R. Pingrey, assistant professor of nursing at Northwestern since 1954, has assumed the duties of acting director of the Shreveport campus, according to Dr. Peggy Ledbetter, dean of nursing.

Assistant director will be Mrs. Grace Riley, assistant professor of nursing. Mrs. Riley has served for several years as director of the Pineville campus of the NSC Nursing School. The Pineville campus was recently relocated in Shreveport.

The new acting director, Miss Pingrey, holds bachelor and master's degrees from the University of Denver and also studied at Fort Lewis College, Saint Marys College and the University of Colorado. Mrs. Riley holds her master's degree from Florida State University.

Miss Pingrey served as head nurse and supervisor at Mercy Hospital in Denver for five years. She was instructor for one year at Morningside College and Methodist Hospital in Sioux City, Iowa, and was director of education and director of nurses at Macon, Ga., Hospital for two years.

Both Miss Pingrey and Mrs. Riley hold membership in several professional and honorary organizations.

In addition to the Natchitoches and Shreveport nursing campuses, Northwestern also has a clinical campus in Baton Rouge. Miss Pingrey and Mrs. Riley will work with some 100 students and a faculty of 15 in Shreveport.



PICTURED IS the son of Suzy Alost Reid (BA '62). Rob was born March 20, 1968 and is now 18 months old. The Reids are residing in Fort Worth.

(Cut this form out and mail today)

### Plan to Attend Alumni Luncheon

Mr. Harrel C. Haile  
NSC Alumni Association  
Natchitoches, La.

I shall attend Homecoming on Saturday, November 8, and would like to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tickets at \$1.50 each for the Alumni Luncheon. You will find my check enclosed for \$\_\_\_\_\_.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

# Demon Gridders to Tackle La. Tech In Annual Affair



Randy Tate

Every year in the middle of October, two college football teams collide in the Louisiana State Fair Stadium in Shreveport. They meet in what has been dubbed the State Fair Game. The two teams are Northwestern State College and Louisiana Tech, two rivals from the tough Gulf States Conference.

And barring any unforeseen rising of the Red River, NSC and Tech will clash for the 54th time on October 18 in State Fair Stadium.

This practically ancient rivalry dates back to 1907. In the package of 53 games played so far in the series, Tech has won 34, Northwestern 15, and four games have ended in ties.

This year's confrontation will find the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs squaring off with their proven passing attack against the Northwestern Demons with their strong running game.

The inevitable point must be made that Tech will rely on the passing wizardry of Terry Brad-

shaw, the Blond Bomber who led Tech to a 9-2 record in 1968, including a convincing 33-13 win over Akron University in the Grantland Rice Bowl.

The well-oiled offensive machine of LaPoly established 25 new Gulf States Conference records in '68. And Bradshaw led the nation's small colleges in passing and total offense. All-American material? You bet your sweet bippie, and unanimous on most ballots.

Bradshaw will be supported by All-GSC split end Tommy Spinks, who prepped with Bradshaw at Woodlawn High School in Shreveport. Spinks holds most of Tech's receiving records. He may soon own them all.

The offensive backfield of Tech will have a familiar look with Buster Herron and Buba Sanchez returning, as well as Bradshaw and Spinks.

But the offensive and defensive lines will have a new appearance. Graduation losses have forced head coach Maxie Lam-

Steve Gaspard



Charles Bloodworth



Doug Watts

## Harriers Are Running for NSC

The Northwestern State College cross-country team opened up their 1969 season in late September by hosting a triangular meet involving two other Gulf State Conference teams.

The Demon runners finished third in that field of three. The victor in the first match of the season was Southeastern Louisiana College. The Lions from SLC swept second, third, and fourth places to rack up the big points in that initial race.

Louisiana Tech finished in second place among the three teams. The Bulldogs final position was mainly on the strength of one man's performance, Sam Reeves who won the 2.8 mile race in just over 13 minutes.

Northwestern's Demons, under the guidance of head track coach John Thompson, finished in third place. The highest finisher for NSC was Steve Murphy who picked up fifth place among a field of 15 entrants.

The rest of the cross-country schedule will involve several dual meets with various Gulf States Conference schools. Also included on the slate are the New Orleans Track Club Invitational and the Southwestern Invitational in Lafayette. All the work is in preparation for the big G.S.C. Meet to be held in Ruston on Nov. 8.

bright to train new people at some positions. But veterans John Harper, Butch Williams, Dave Horne, and Johnny Richard should provide the necessary experience and leadership. Mark Graham, Ricky Taylor, and Andy Callais will give the defensive secondary somewhat of a veteran appearance.

## Schedule Set In Basketball

On October 15, some 25 candidates for the 1969-70 Northwestern State College Demon basketball team began formal workouts in preparation for the coming campaign.

Head coach Tynes Hildebrand and assistant coach Don Beasley will be depending on All-GSC center Charles Bloodworth, a 6-8, 225-pound performer from Natchitoches, and Doug Watts, a 5-9 guard from French Settlement. Both Bloodworth and Watts are seniors at NSC. The only other senior on the team will be Jerry Masters, a 6-3 forward from Florigen.

The Demons will be playing the toughest schedule ever undertaken by an NSC basketball team. Included on the slate is Texas A. & M., the defending champion of the Southwest Conference. The complete '69-'70 schedule follows:

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| Dec. 1—North Texas          | Home |
| Dec. 4—Texas A&M            | Away |
| Dec. 5—Rice                 | Away |
| Dec. 8—East Texas State     | Away |
| Dec. 11—McNeese*            | Away |
| Dec. 15—Louisiana Tech*     | Home |
| Dec. 18—Louisiana College   | Home |
| Dec. 29                     |      |
| & 30—NSC Holiday Tournament |      |
| Grambling-Northeast         |      |
| Onichita-Northwestern       |      |
| Jan. 2 Arkansas University  | Away |
| Jan. 5—Southern Mississippi | Home |
| Jan. 10—Centenary           | Home |
| Jan. 19—Henderson State     | Home |
| Jan. 21—Nicholls*           | Away |
| Jan. 26—South Alabama       | Away |
| Jan. 29 Northeast*          | Away |
| Feb. 2 I. S. L.*            | Home |
| Feb. 5 McNeese*             | Home |
| Feb. 9 Louisiana Tech*      | Away |
| Feb. 12—Louisiana College   | Away |
| Feb. 16—Northeast*          | Home |
| Feb. 19—Southeastern*       | Away |
| Feb. 23—Nicholls*           | Home |
| Feb. 25—Southeastern*       | Home |
| Feb. 28—I. S. L.*           | Away |

\*Gulf States Conference Games

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